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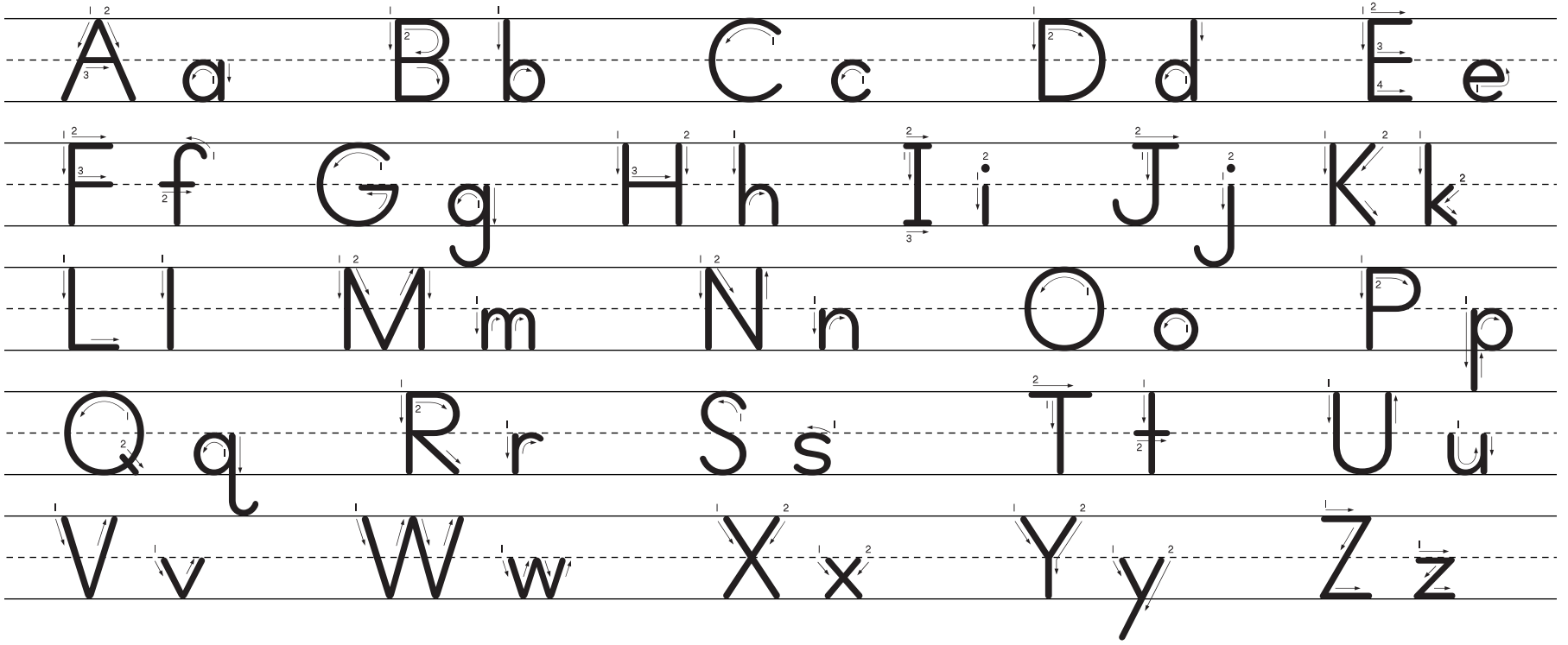
The Manuscript Alphabet Review

Circle the letters that spell the name of your state.



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Lines in Letters

Write these letters with straight lines. Then use them to write a word.

E t H F i L I

Write these letters with slant lines.

A y W v k M x

Write these letters with circle lines.

S b D Q o a e

Complete the sentence.

My favorite color is _____.

Circle the letters with slant lines.

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Letter and Word Spacing

Space Between Letters

- not too close
- not too far apart
- space of a pencil point between letters

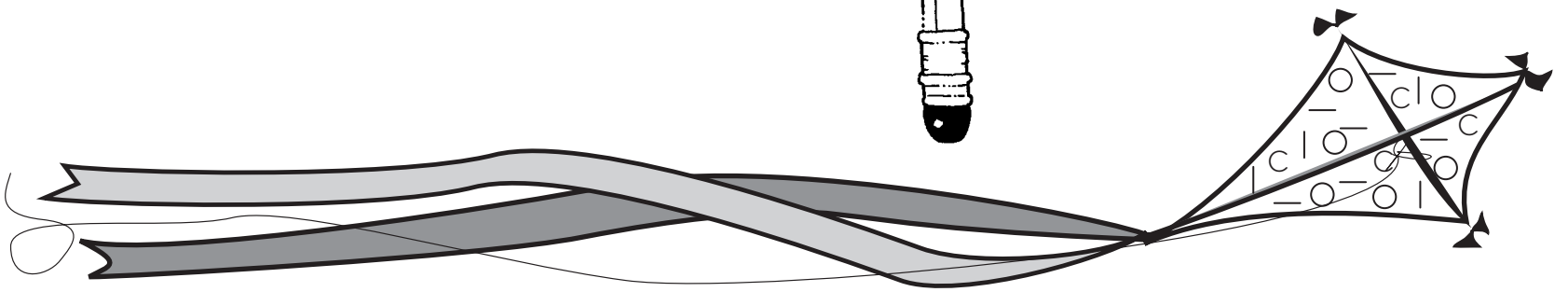
too close

too far

Space Between Words

- not too close
- space of a pencil between words

just right



like this

not like this

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Numerals and Punctuation Marks

Trace and write the words and numerals.

1	one	6	six
2	two	7	seven
3	three	8	eight
4	four	9	nine
5	five	10	ten

Trace the punctuation marks.

? ! ? ! ? ! ? ? ! ? ? !

Write this sentence:

My cat has 5 kittens!

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Writing Sentences

Write the sentences. Remember to include the correct punctuation.

The world has many endangered animals. The Asian tiger is one. The California condor is another. What can be done to help?

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Signing Up

Fill out the form. Write as neatly as you can.

Sports Club Membership Form

Name: _____

Address: _____

Grade and Class: _____

Interests: _____

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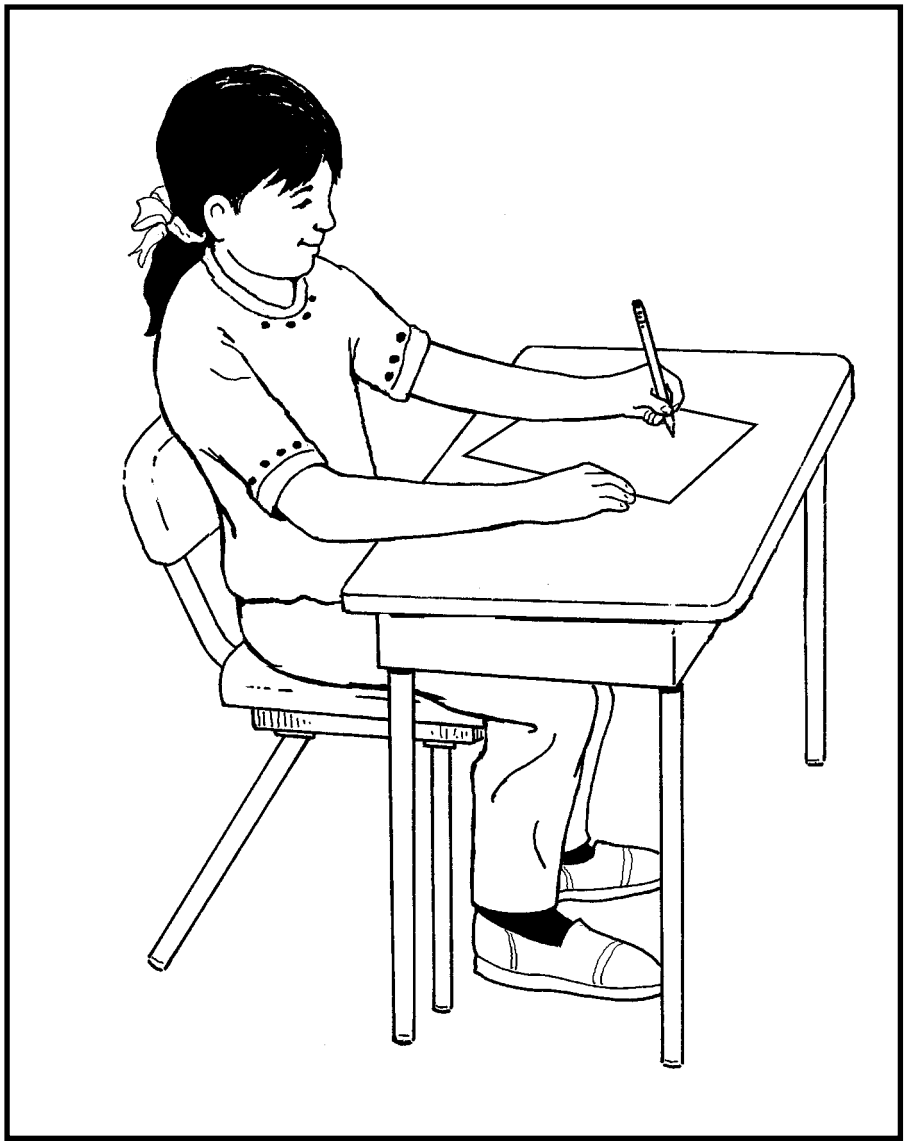
Left-Handed Writers

Sit tall. Place both arms on the table. Keep your feet flat on the floor.

Slant your paper.

Hold the pencil with your first two fingers and your thumb.

Cursive Writing Position



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Right-Handed Writers

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Keep your feet flat on the floor.

Slant your paper.

Hold the pencil with your first two fingers and your thumb.

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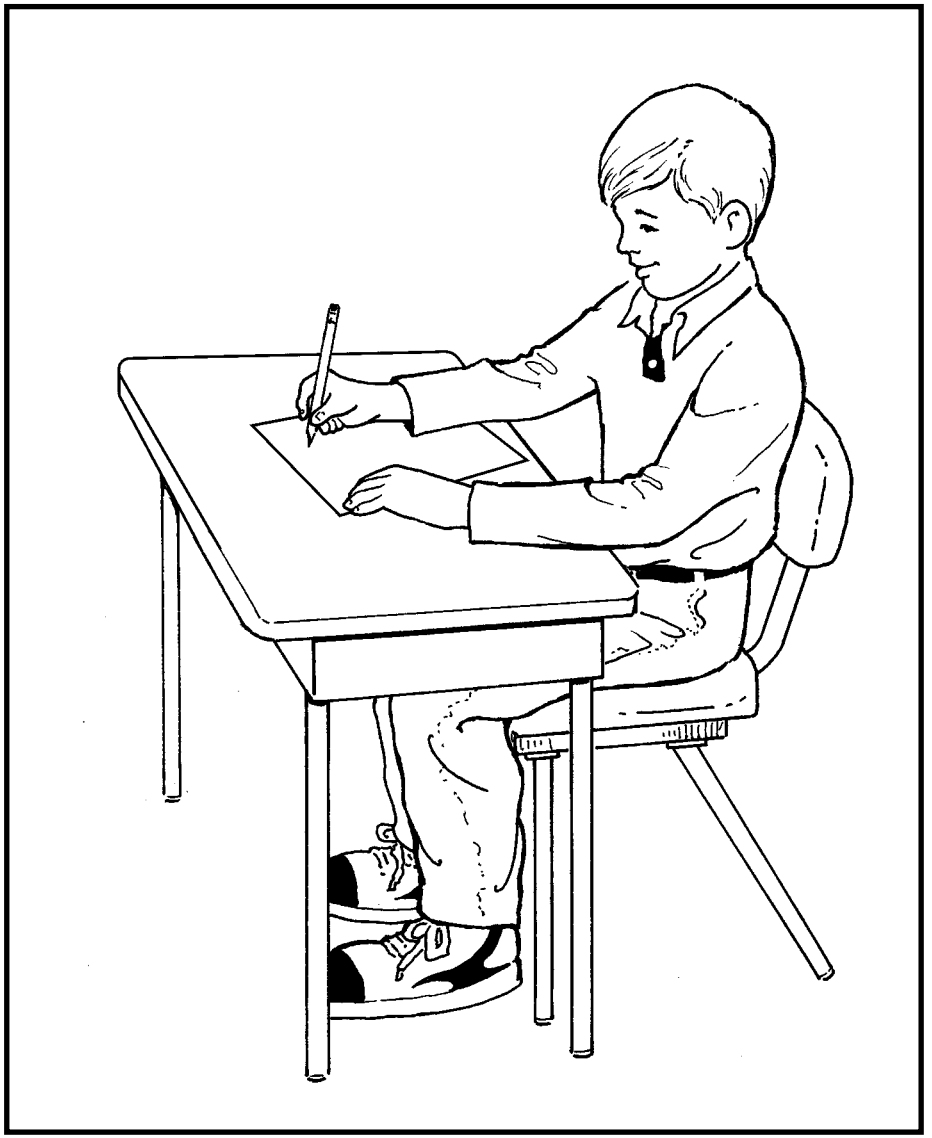

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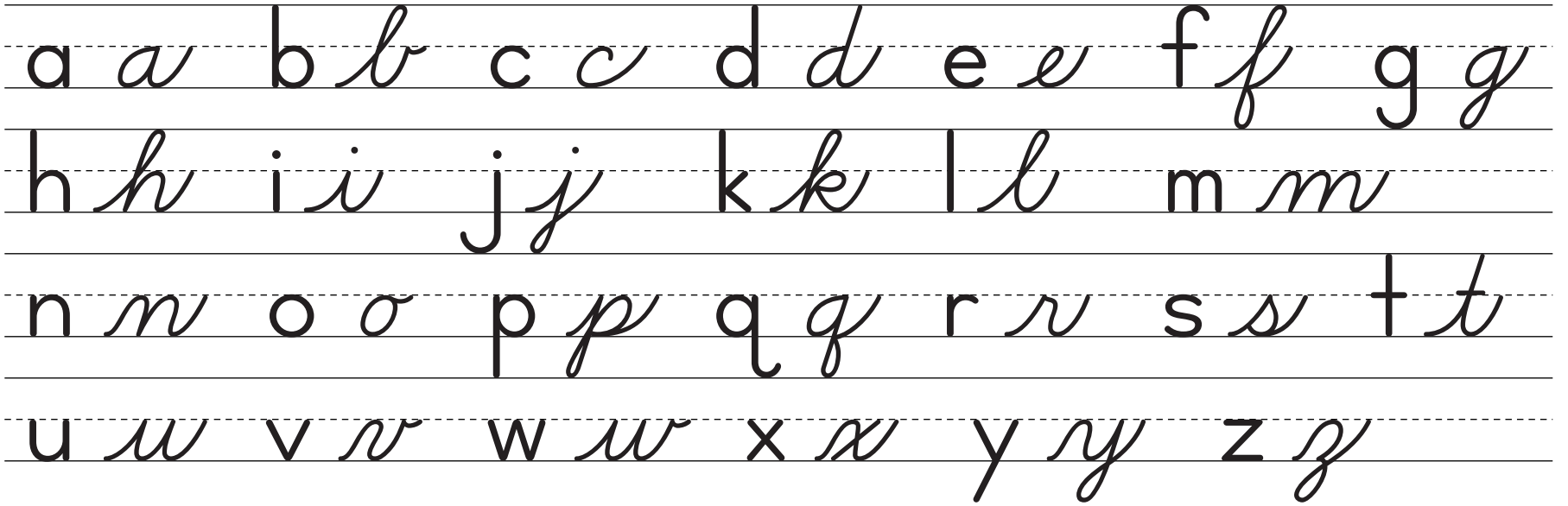
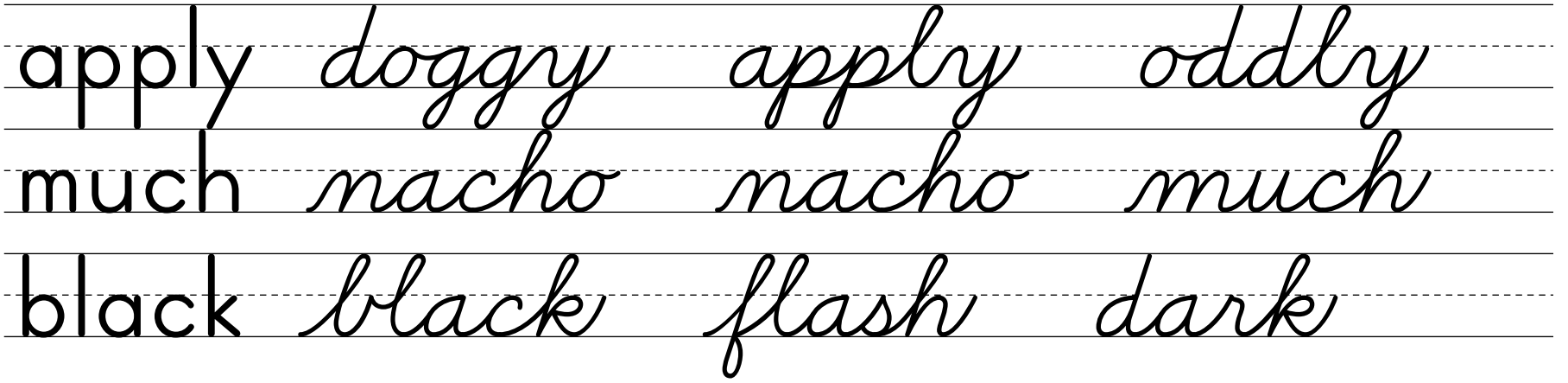
Manuscript to Cursive

Circle the cursive letters that are in your first name.



Look at the word in manuscript. Circle the matching word in cursive.



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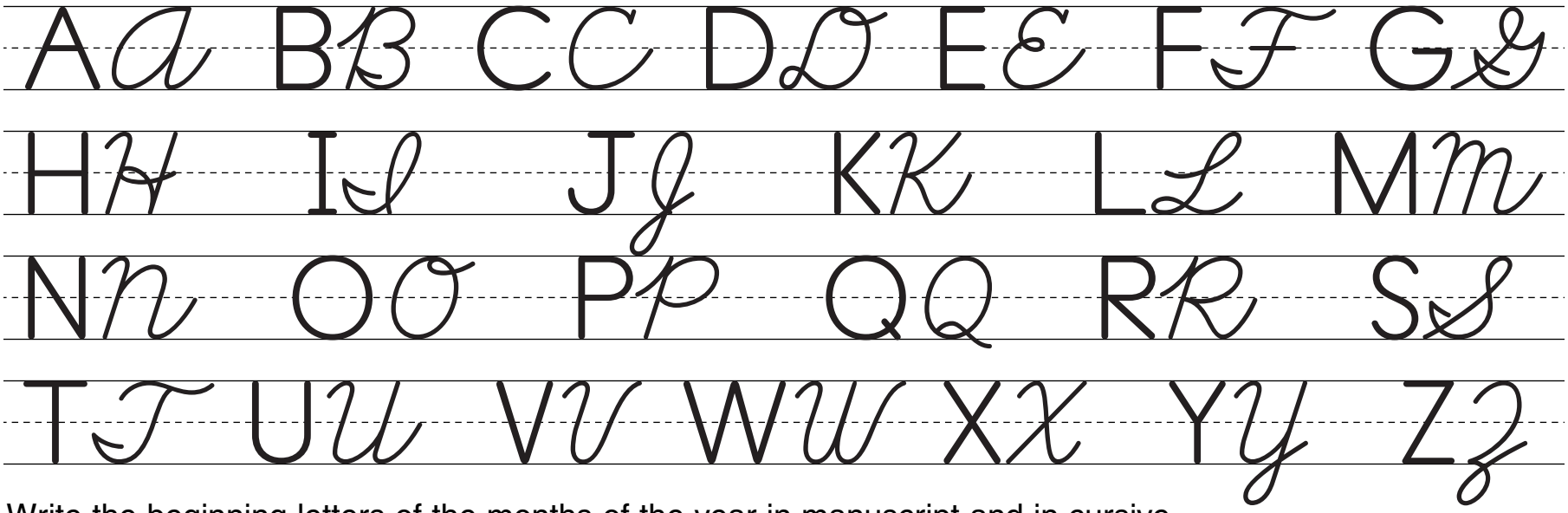
Circle the cursive letters that begin the names of your favorite characters.



Write the beginning letters of the months of the year in manuscript and in cursive.

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The Cursive Alphabet

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Size and Shape

Tall letters touch the top line

Make your writing easy to read.

b d l t

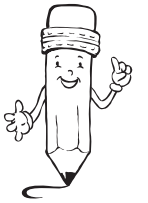
Short letters touch the middle line.

o a n m c w w

These letters go below the bottom line.

g f z j p y

Circle the letters that are the right size and shape and sit on the bottom line.



a w x h n d g p

e l b q o f m c

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Review

Write the cursive words in manuscript.

journey over towering van

scattered exit quick zip

January February March

Write a word you can write in cursive.

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Taking Tests

Write **True** or **False** to answer each question.

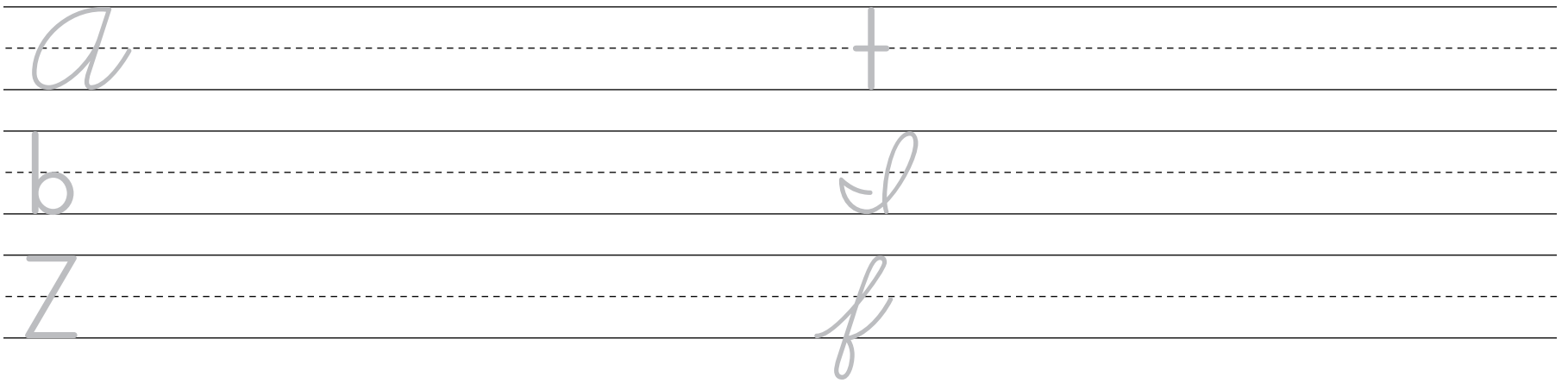
1. Manuscript and cursive letters all look alike. _____

2. In cursive handwriting, letters are connected. _____

3. In manuscript handwriting, letters should not be too close. _____

4. Names of people begin with lowercase letters. _____

Trace and write each letter. Circle your best cursive and manuscript letter.



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Taking Tests

Complete each sentence. Choose a word from the word bank.

Word Bank

circle top straight uppercase slant middle

1. The manuscript letters t, E, H, L, F, and I have _____ lines.
2. Tall cursive letters touch the _____ line.
3. The manuscript letters Q, D, o, a, and e have _____ lines.
4. Short cursive letters touch the _____ line.
5. The manuscript letters A, M, w, v, and Y have _____ lines.
6. Your first and last names begin with _____ letters.

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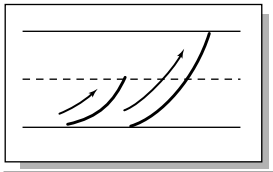
Strokes that Curve Up

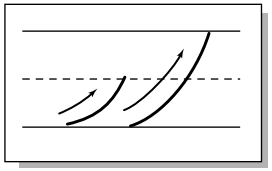
Circle each letter whose beginning stroke curves up.



a c e o r s l j g

q p w w l b d f h k

Trace and write the strokes that curve up.



Trace the beginning stroke in each letter. Then write words using the letters.

e e i i j j p p r r s s w w

w w b b f f h h k k l l t t

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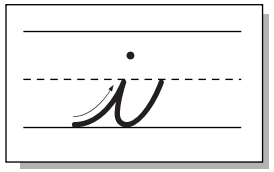
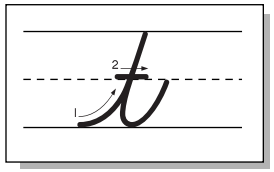
i t

Trace and write the letters. Then trace and write the word.





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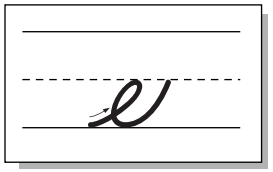
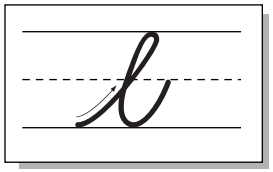
e l

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.





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Words to Write

Write the words.

Circle your best words.

tell title tie it

tell title tie it

let tilt lie little

Write a silly title for a book. Use some of the words above.

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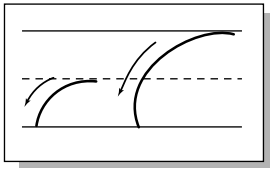
Strokes that Curve Down

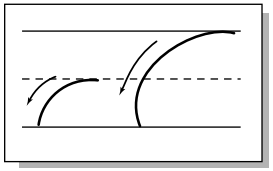
Circle each letter whose beginning stroke curves down.



a c e o r s w w l

g p q j d b f l t h k

Trace and write strokes that curve down.



Trace the beginning stroke in each letter.

a a c c d d g g o o q q

Use three of the letters to name an animal. Write the name.

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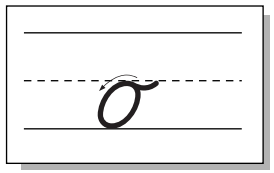
o a

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.



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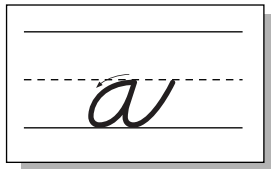

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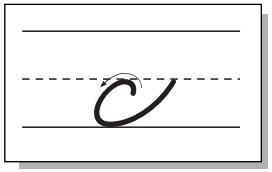
Trace and write the letters. Then write the words and the phrases.



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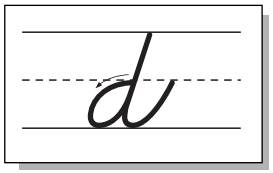

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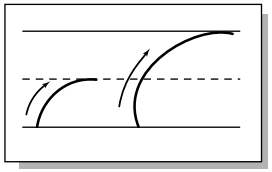
Strokes that Curve Over

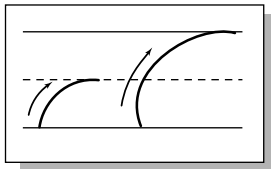
Circle each letter whose beginning stroke curves over.



a b c d e f g h i j

k l m n o p w v x y z

Trace and write strokes that curve over.



Trace the beginning stroke in each letter.

m m m n n n v v v

x x x y y y z z z

Write words that begin with strokes that curve over.

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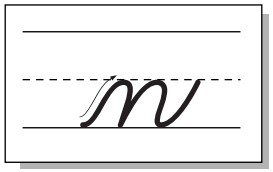
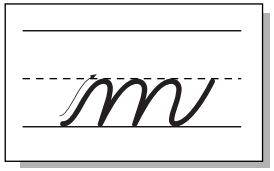
n m

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.





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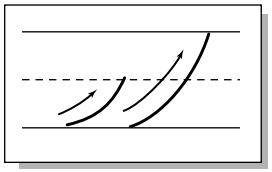
Write the strokes that curve up.



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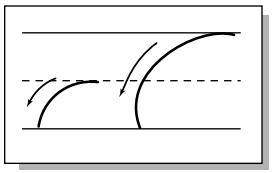

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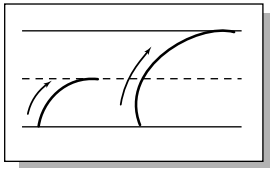
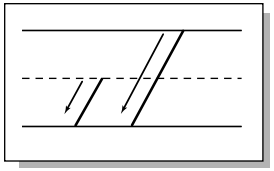


Write slant strokes.



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Review

Write the words.

Do your tall letters touch the top line? Do your letters slant correctly?

dime needle meal unite

beetle wombat bobcat

wooden undid fence

bow-wow meow ladle

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Taking Tests

Write phrases in cursive to answer each question.
Choose a phrase from the answer box.

Answer Box

a stroke that curves down	all the letters	the top line
with strokes that curve up	the letters m and n	

1. How do the lowercase letters **i** and **t** begin?

2. What kind of stroke is at the beginning of lowercase letter **a**?

3. Which letters in the word *moon* begin with a stroke that curves over?

4. Which letters in the word *list* begin with a stroke that curves up?

5. What line do all tall letters touch?

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Connectives

Trace the connectives.

air tie her met like

an and end in sand

glad just yell zebra games

you zy yarn gap lazy jam

five pick feel quite plan

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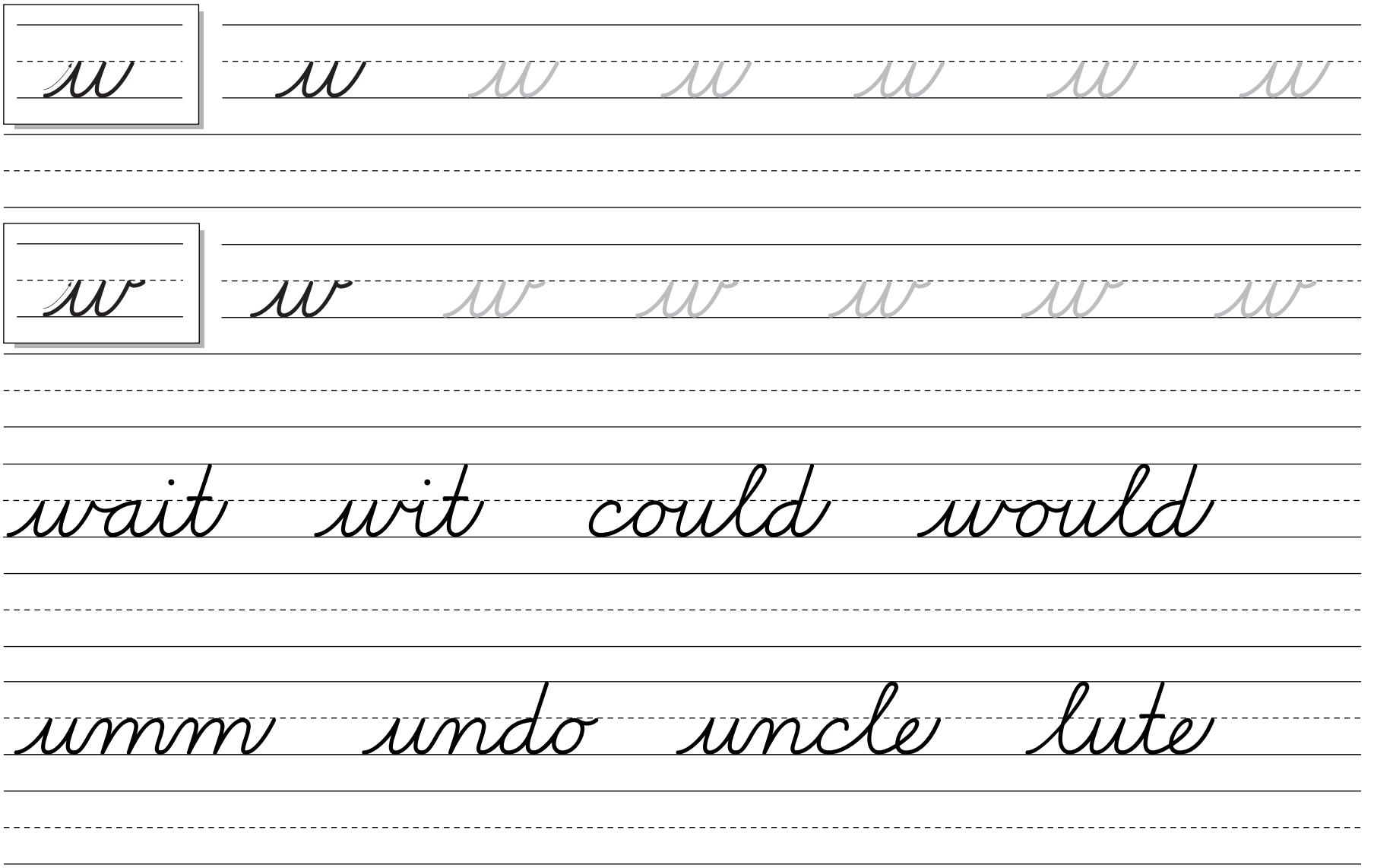
u w

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.



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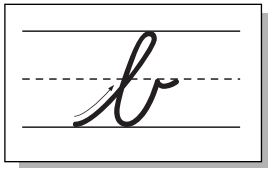
b f

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words and the phrases.



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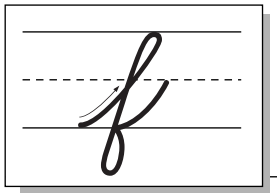

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boat fall bubble off

fine food bat and ball

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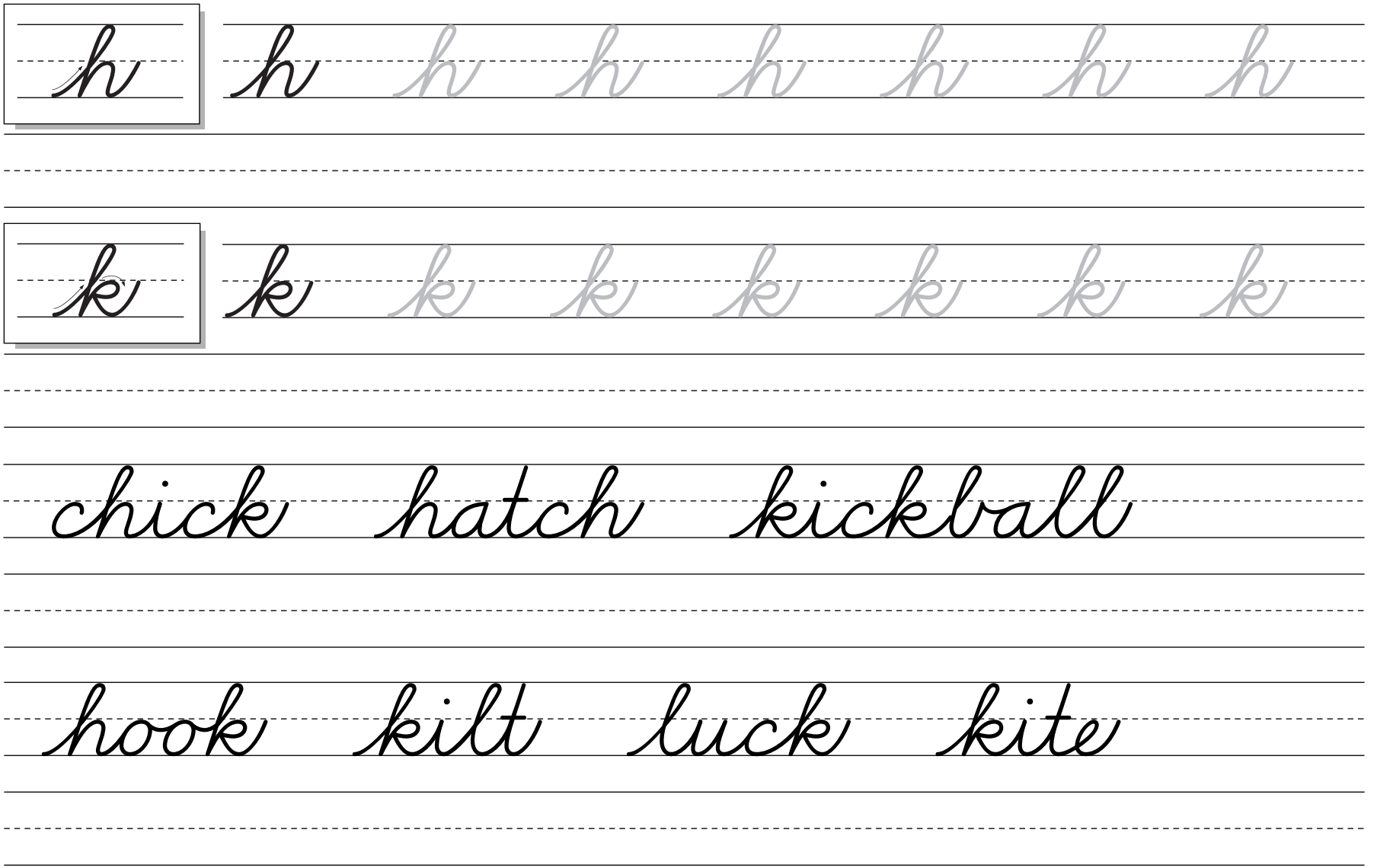
h k

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.



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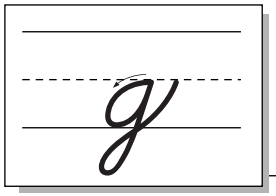

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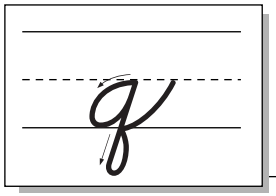

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quacked good and loud

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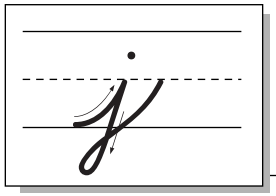

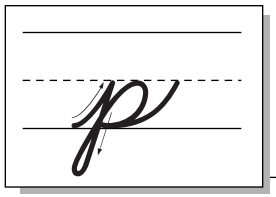

pound a beat pull up

to put on an act

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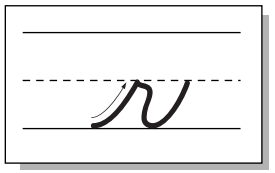

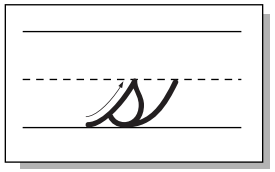

pride and joy set sail

rose blossom rings a bell

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y z

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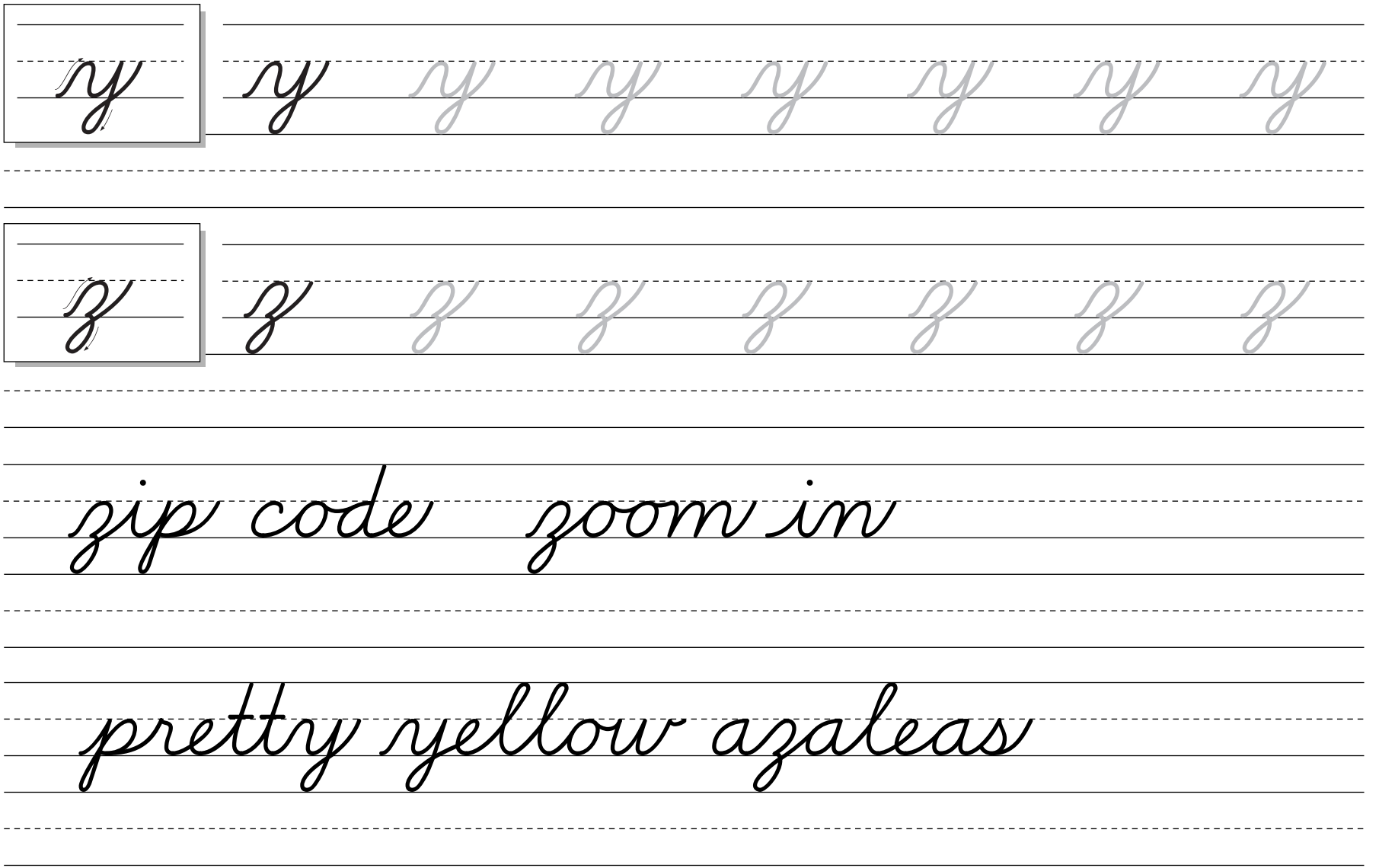

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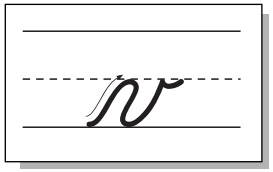

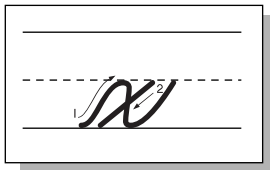

x marks the spot

vim and vigor

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Review

Trace and write the phrases. Most of the 26 letters are included.

very huge signs on bus

puppy at the end zone

quickly at second exit

are going home with jam

Circle your best letter.

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Practice

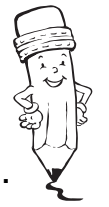
Trace these connectives. Then write the words.

ball oats van wait boat

bird once very when

cut its day nut can

join yard flash pick



Circle your best joining.

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Taking Tests

Write a sentence to answer each question.

1. How do you begin a sentence?

2. What kind of cursive letters begin the months of the year?

3. What is the difference between the cursive uppercase letters **T** and **F**?

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Size and Shape

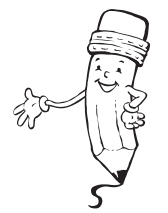
All uppercase letters are tall letters.
Tall letters should touch the top line.

A B H D E F I

Letters with descenders go below the bottom line.

J Z Y

You can make your writing easy to read.



Look at the letters below. Circle the letters that are the correct size and shape.

G C Q S V J R W

Z I F A L D H M

B X K Q N V T P

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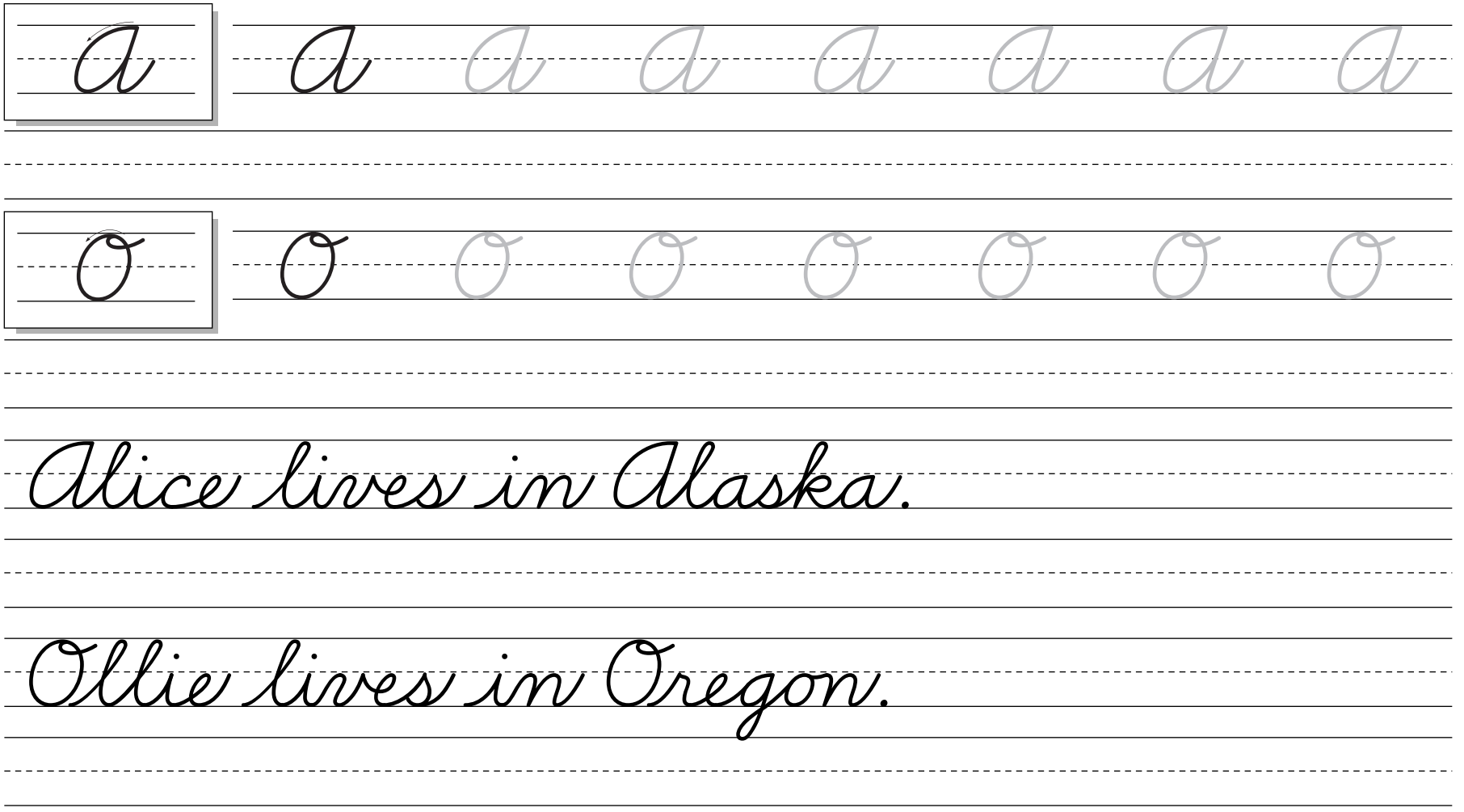
A O

Trace and write the letters. Then write the sentences.



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C E

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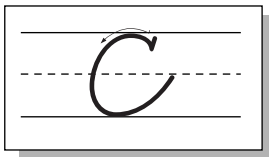

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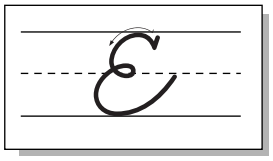

E E E E E E E E

Cecily wants to visit China.

Edward went to England.

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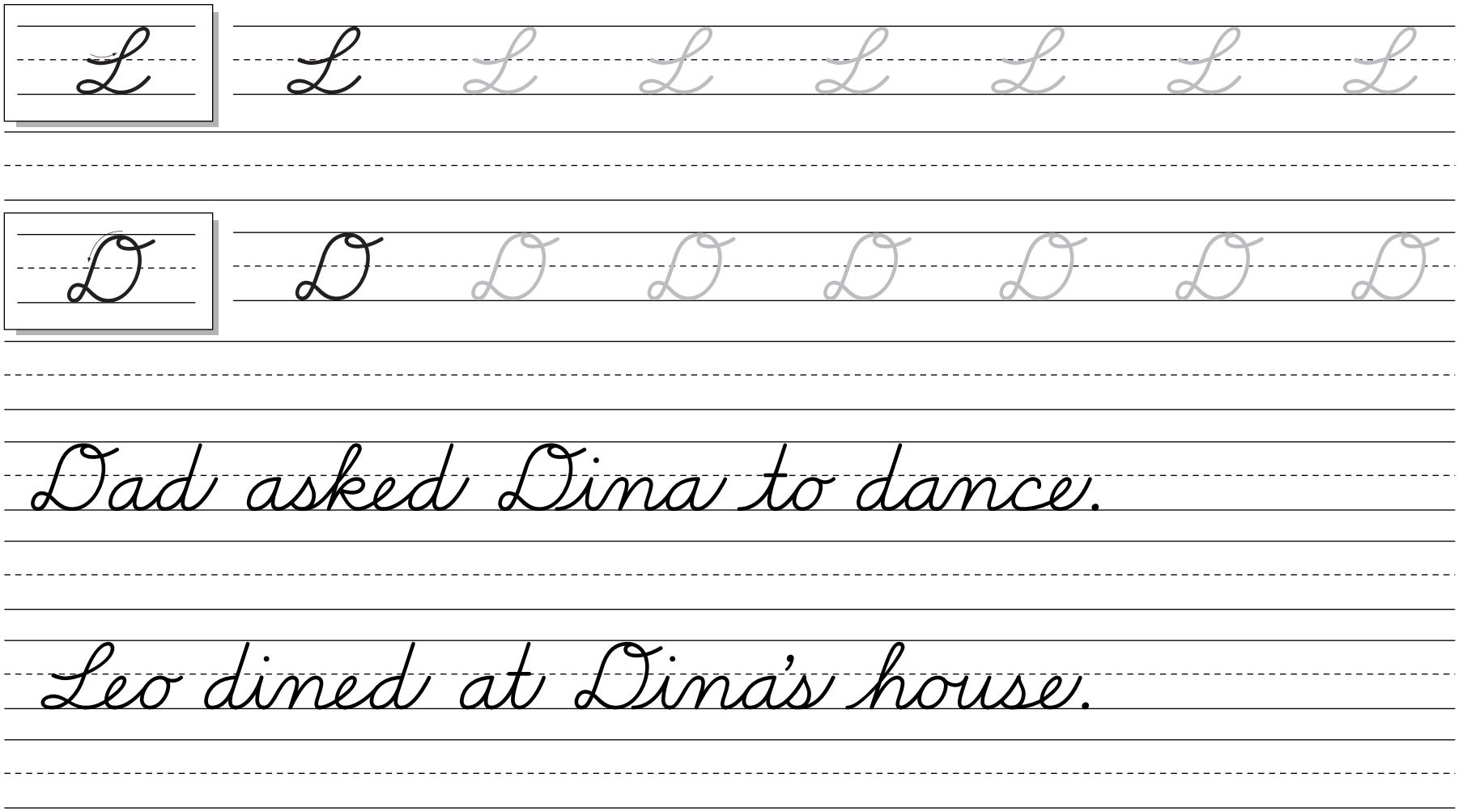
L D

Trace and write the letters. Then write the sentences.



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B R

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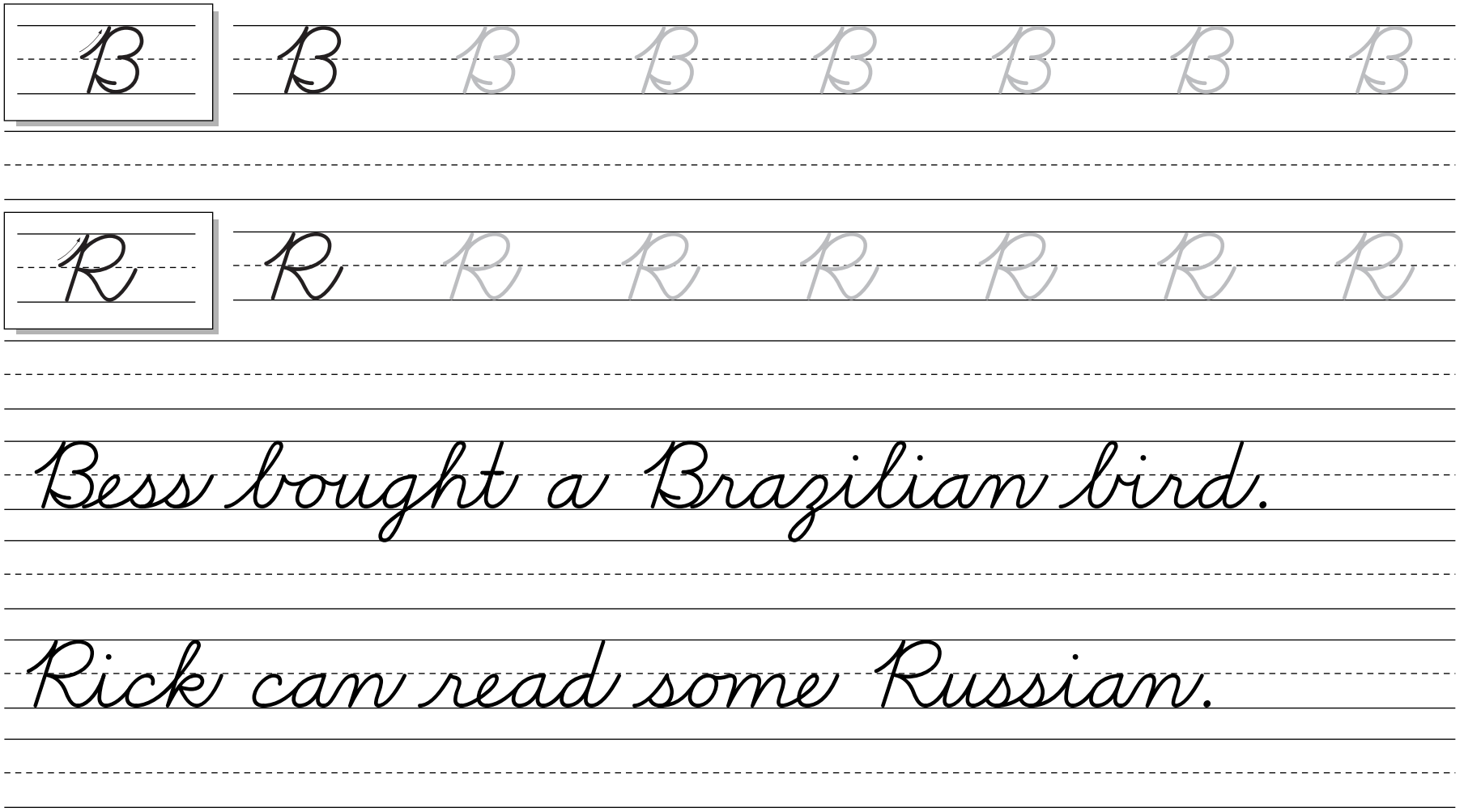

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T F

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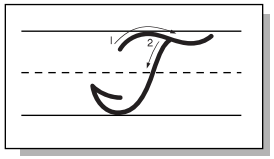

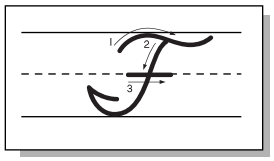

Theodore Roosevelt won.

Franklin D. Roosevelt won, too.

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S G

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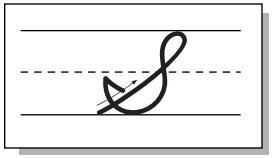

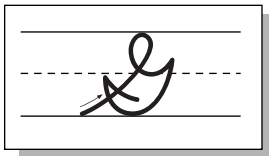

Sue sees Glen on Saturday.

Señora Gomez is the guest.

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I J

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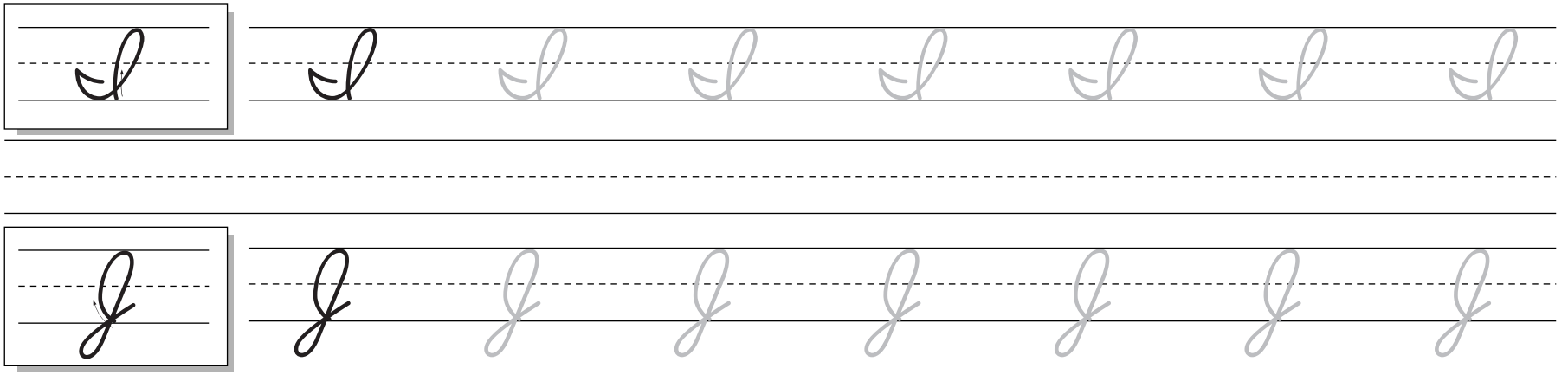

Ida is cooking Indian food.

Jack cooks a Jamaican dish.

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Review

Copy the sentences.

Remember to space letters and words evenly.

Do you know the capitals?

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Atlanta, Georgia

Salt Lake City, Utah

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Practice

Copy the poster. Write in manuscript. Which writing works best?

Come One, Come All

Gymnastics Tryouts * Everyone Welcome

Tuesday at 3:00 * in the gym

Trampoline, tumbling, bars, rings

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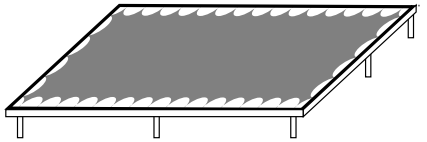

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Taking Tests

Use your best cursive handwriting to fill in the short paragraph that answers the test question. Choose words from the Word Bank.

Test Question: Why is it important to write cursive letters correctly?

Word Bank

read send
cursive words

Correctly written letters are easy to _____. They can make _____ and sentences clear. Unclear words might _____ the wrong message.

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Taking Tests

Write an explanation in your best cursive handwriting.

Test Question: Which writing works best when you write a note to a friend? Explain your answer.

I think writing in cursive works best when I write a note because I can write it faster. Cursive writing also makes the note very personal.

Copy the explanation in the box or write your own.

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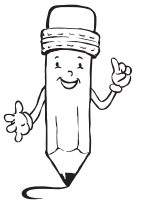
Spacing Letters and Words

You can make your writing easy to read.
Letters should not be too close or too far apart.

These letters are spaced just right.

Draw a slanted line between these words to check that the spacing is as wide as a small o.



Then copy the sentences.

The flowers are in bloom.

Can you smell the flowers?

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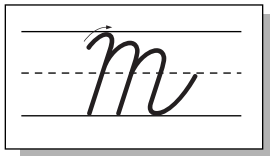
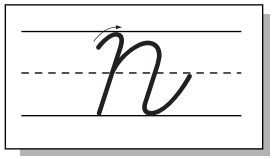
M N

Trace and write the letters. Then write the sentences.





Minnesota, North Dakota, and Montana are in the midwest.

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H K

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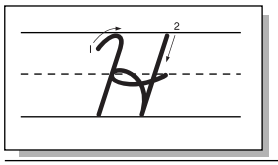

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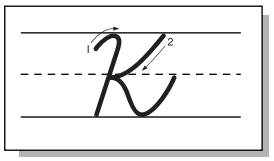

K K K K K K K K K K K

Hank and Kitty like Hanover.

Kyle lives in Kentucky.

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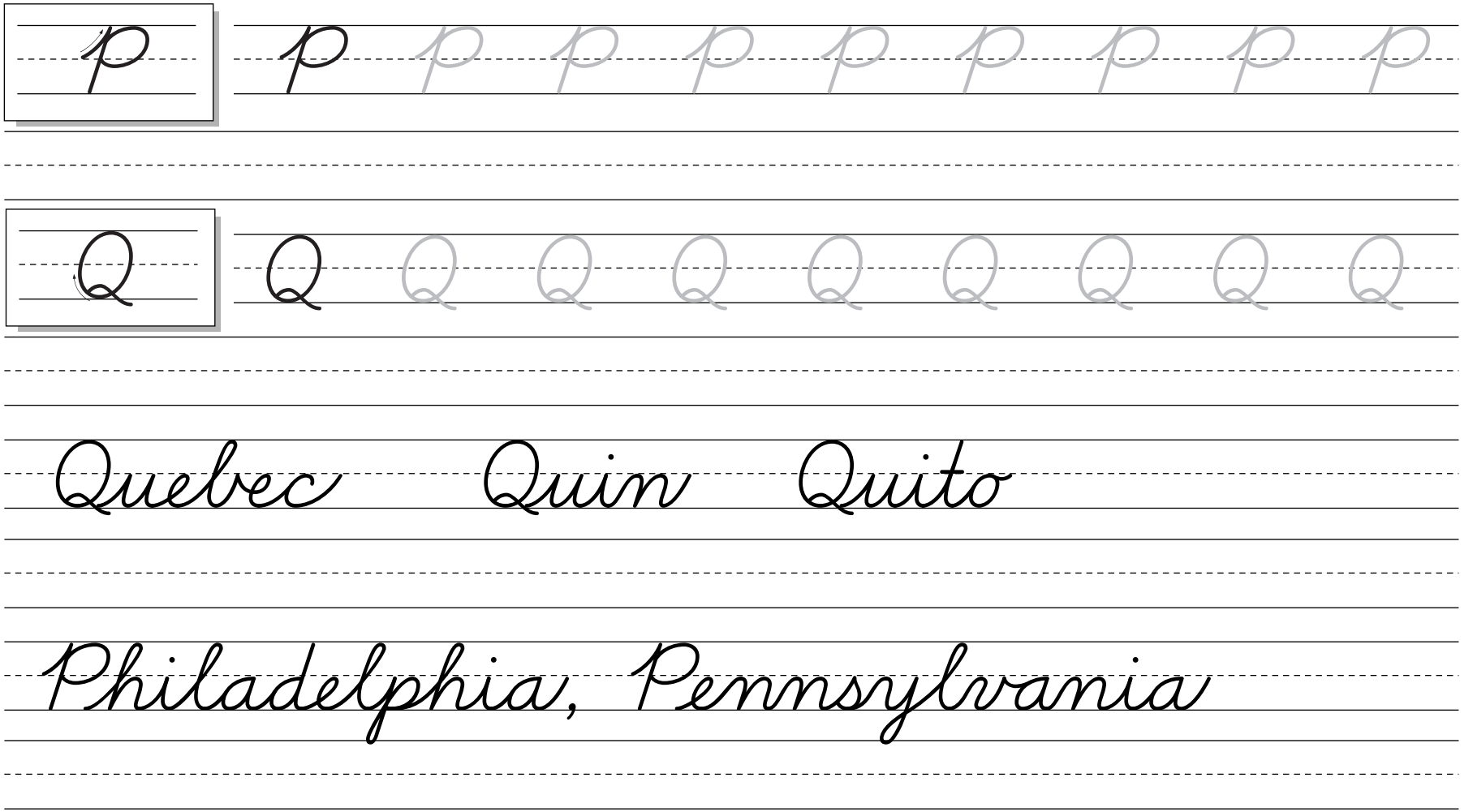
P Q

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.



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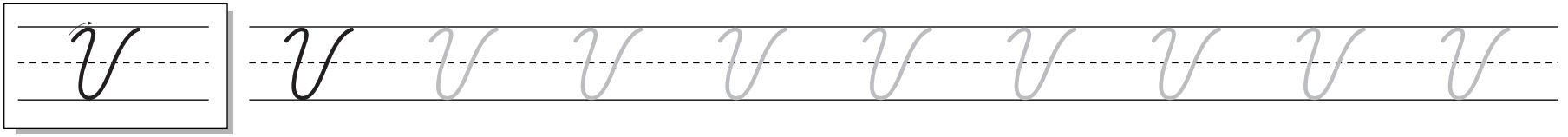

Aunt Violet lives in Vermont.

Uncle Ute lives in Utah.

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W X

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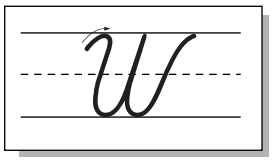

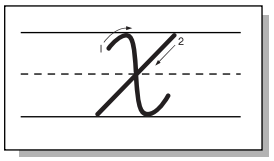

William Washington Wales

X-ray Xavier Xenia X-axis

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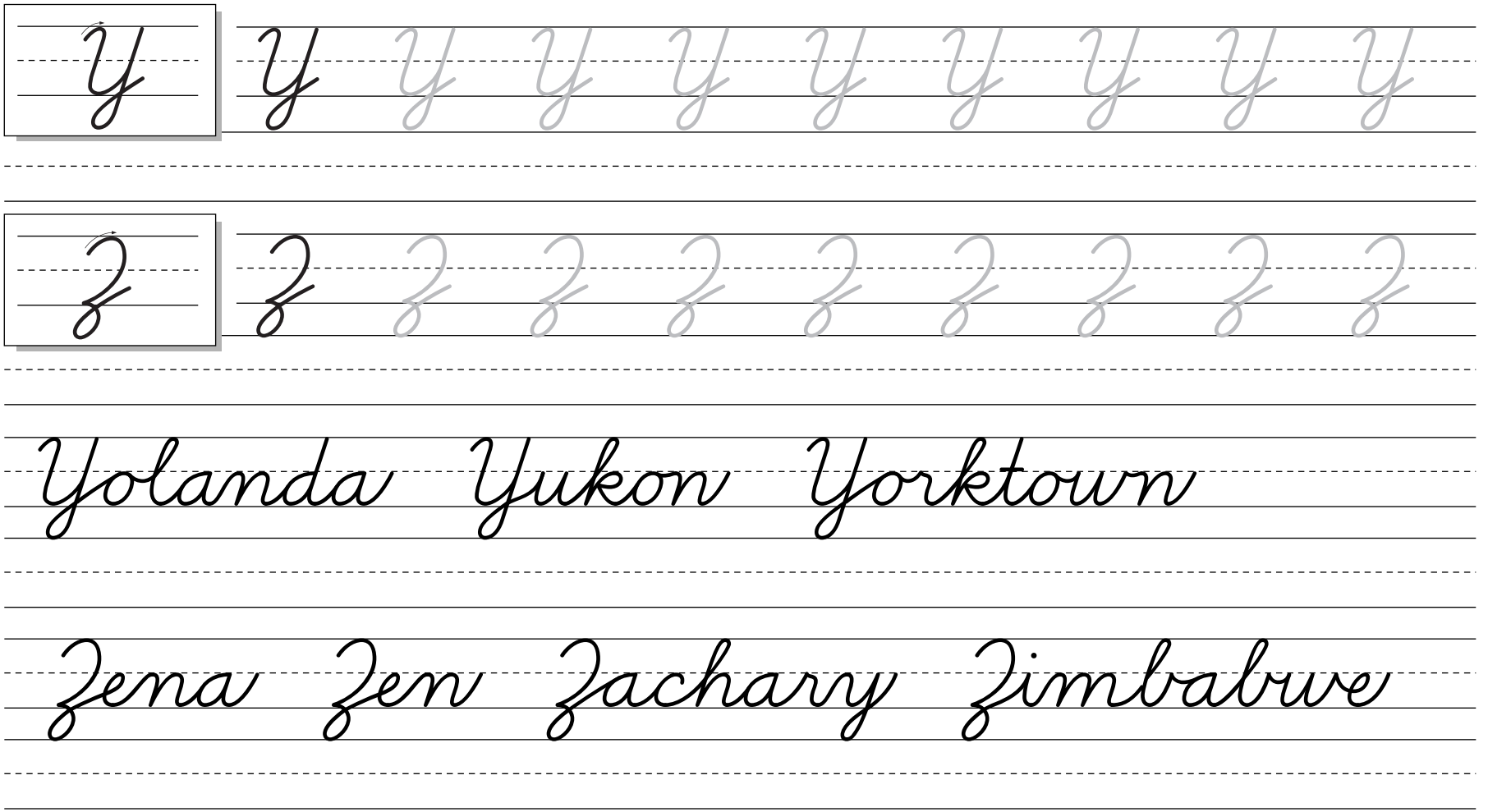
Y Z

Trace and write the letters. Then write the words.



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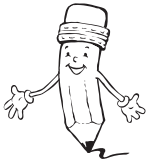
Review

Copy the sentences. Circle your best uppercase letter.



The Lincoln Park Zoo is in Chicago, Illinois.

The White House is on Pennsylvania Avenue.

Is there space for a o between words?

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Taking Tests

In a writing test, you are sometimes given a prompt. Here is an example.

Prompt: The letters A and O are alike, but also different. Write a paragraph about how the letters A and O are alike and different.

Complete the paragraph that responds to the writing prompt.

The beginning stroke in both letters curves _____ _____ _____.
The letter O, like A, is closed at the _____ _____ _____ line. A, unlike O, is not a round _____ _____ _____. O does not connect to other letters like A does from the _____ _____ _____ line.

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Use your best cursive handwriting to write a paragraph that responds to the writing prompt.

Prompt: The letters P and R are alike, but also different. Write a paragraph about how the letters P and R are alike and different.

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Alignment and Margins

All letters should sit on the baseline and stay within the margins.

Four score and seven years ago our fathers brought forth on this continent a new nation.

Copy as much of the sentence as you can within the margins.

Make sure your writing stays within the margins of the paper.

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Numerals

Trace and write the numerals. Write the words.

1 2 3 4 5

one two three four five

6 7 8 9 10

six seven eight nine ten

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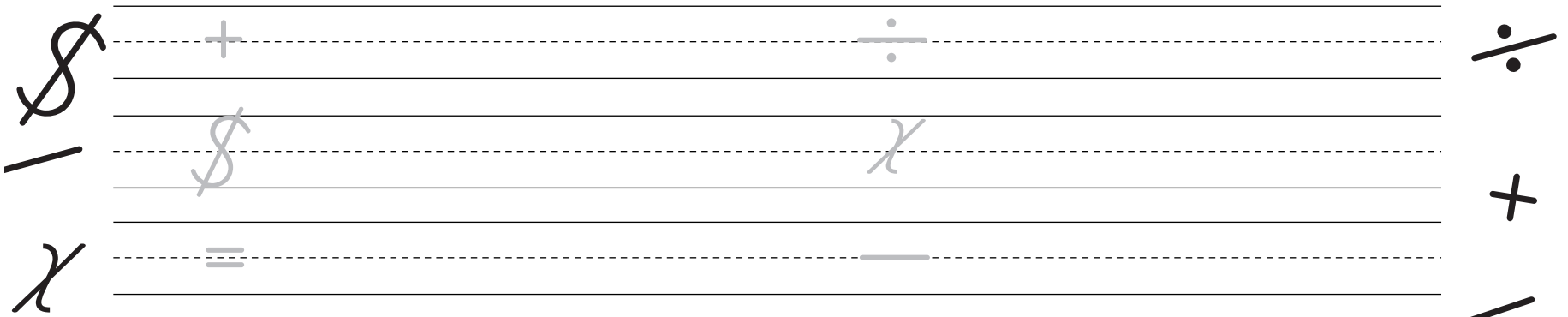
Numerals and Math Symbols

Trace and write the math symbols.



Complete the problems.

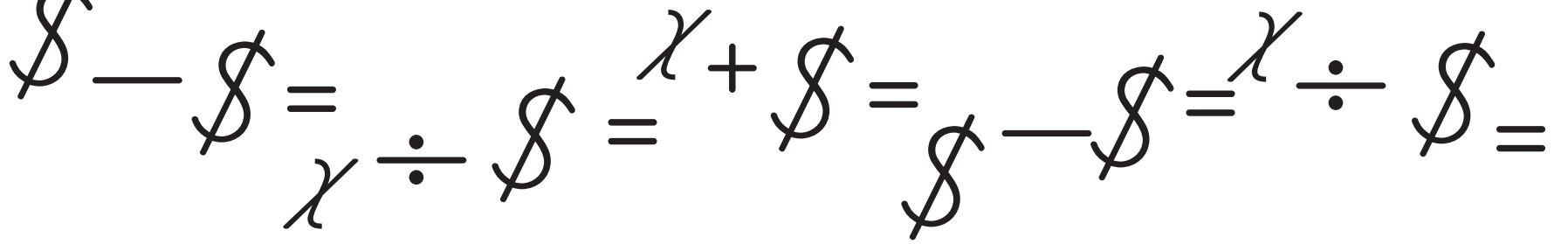
23 + 42 =

12 x 3 =

34 + 15 =

78 − 25 =

56 dollars =



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Punctuation

Repeat the patterns in lines 1 and 2.
Then write the sentences with correct punctuation.

? ? ? ! ! ? ? ? ! ! ?

! ? ! ! ? ! ? ! ! ?

Did you finish the puzzles

What a great idea that is

Yes, run as fast as you can

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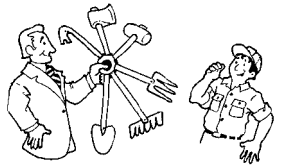

A Short Story

Copy the story and punctuate it correctly.

Farmer Fred worked all alone One day a peddler came by Look at this he said Wow what an invention What could the farmer do

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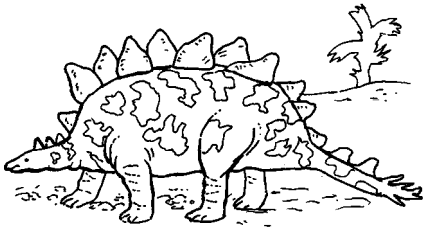
A News Article

Copy the article on lined paper. Add correct punctuation, including quotation marks.



Read All About It

Baytown, May 6 Scientists have found a fossil of a dinosaur heart They now think that some dinosaurs were mammals This is amazing news said one observer

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Theme Paper

The last four lines on this page are without the dotted control lines.
Paper lined this way is called theme paper.
This is the paper you will use next year.
Copy the sentences.

Many states have state trees and flowers.

Texas has the pecan tree and the bluebonnet flower.

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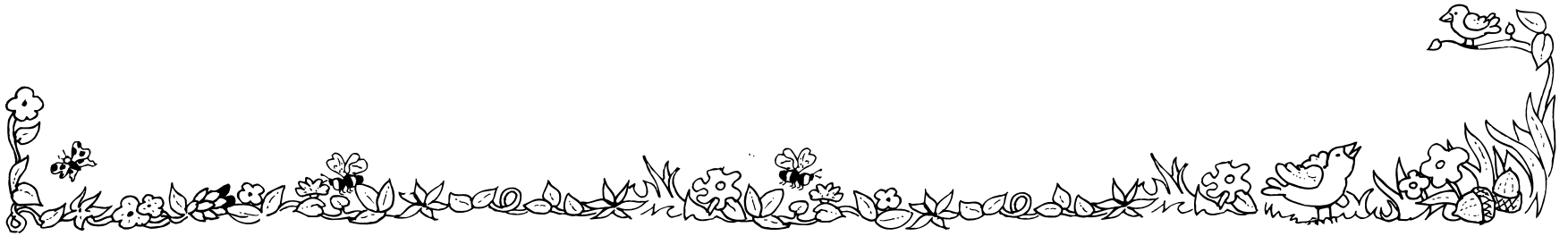
Transition to Two Lines

Write the sentences. In the last two rows, write the sentences without the guidelines.

A robin has manny feathers.
An ostrich weighs 300 lbs.
Parrots know about 20 words.
Ducks lay eggs.



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Practice with Small Letters

This is your first complete lesson without a dotted control line.
Write your letters and words the same way you have been writing them all year.

e w s r a i w m n o

see rain ox rum mane

Sam was a curious raccoon.

He came across a fox.

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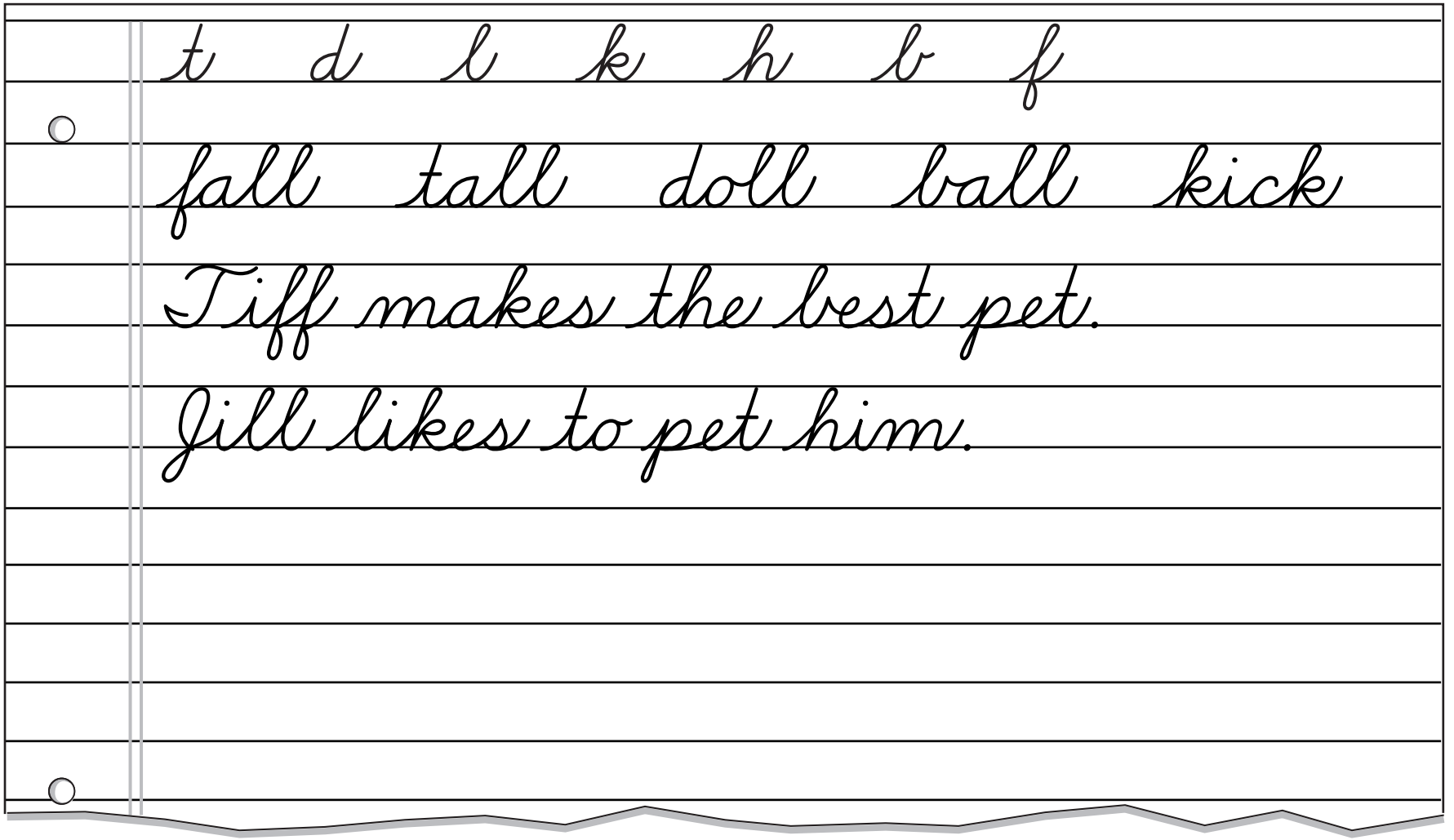
Practice with Tall Letters

Practice writing tall letters and words with tall letters.
All tall letters should reach the top line.



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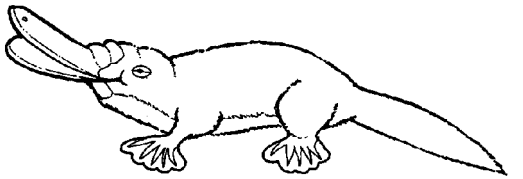
A Report

Copy the report on lined paper.
Try to keep your letter height and spacing even without the middle line.

The Platypus

Is the platypus a mammal or a bird? The platypus lays eggs. So do birds. The platypus has a bill and webbed feet. But it also has claws. What do you think it is?



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A Letter

Copy this friendly letter on lined paper.
Make sure the heading, closing, and signature line up.

264 Henry Street
San Francisco, CA 94109
May 3, 2003

Dear Joanna,
I can't wait to see you! We will meet you at the airport on Tuesday. Would you like to go to the Exploritorium on Thursday? We can take a picnic lunch.

Your friend,
Maria

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Poster

Make a poster to help save Earth.
Write the information.

Plant a tree.
Save Earth!

Join the Plant-a-Tree Club

Contact: (Write your name, address, and phone number.)

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A Form

Pretend you are applying for a library card. Fill in the form.

Name:
Date of Birth:
Address:
Telephone Number:
Your Parents' Names:
Books You Like to Read:
Signature: Date:

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